

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending.

Applicant understands that a restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 is required between two groups of claims:

I: Claims 1-19 drawn to a method for making a dehydrocyclodimerization catalyst comprising an amorphous phosphorus-modified alumina hydrogel; and

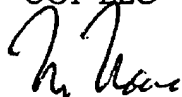
II: Claims 20-24 drawn to a process for preparing a catalyst for converting C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>6</sub> aliphatic hydrocarbons to aromatics.

In an effort to expedite prosecution, Applicant elects Group I consisting of claims 1-19. Applicant accordingly cancels claims 20-24 but reserves the right to file divisional or continuation applications based on claims 20-24.

The subject application is now believed to be in a condition for an allowance of claims 1-19 and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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